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Docket No. 325772022400

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS  
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Examiner: Michael L. Burleson

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Sir:

In response to the Action dated July 29, 2004, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application in light of the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-15 are pending in the application. Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claims 10-15 and indicating the presence of allowable subject matter in claim 5.

The Examiner rejected claims 1-3 under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Yamamoto U.S. Patent No. 6,381,428. The Examiner rejected claim 4 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over the combination of Yamamoto and Sato U.S. Patent No. 4,939,553. Similarly, the Examiner also rejected claims 6-9 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable